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SUBJECT: CCINC CUSTOMS TRAINING-BULGARIA

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1. EMBASSY HAS NOT RESPONDED TO REFTEL (A) SINCE RAKOVSKY AND RIZZO WILL VISIT BULGARIA MAY 7-8 IN ORDER TO DETERMINE WHAT TYPE OF TRAINING IS OF MOST INTEREST TO BULGARIAN CUSTOMS. WE WOULD ASSUME, BASED ON PREVIOUS TRAINING SCHOOL MAY 1973, THAT BULGARS PRIMARILY SEEK ASSISTANCE IN INSPECTION, SINCE RESPONSIBILITY OF BULGARIAN CUSTOMS DOES NOT INCLUDE INTERNAL INVESTIGATION.

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2. EMBASSY IS AWARE OF DIFFERENT POINTS OF VIEW OF

WASHINGTON AGENCIES ON WHY TRAINING SHOULD BE OFFERED
BULGARS. WE CONTINUE TO BELIEVE THAT CHOICE MUST BE
LEFT TO THEM AND THAT NEITHER EMBASSY NOR DEA SHOULD
ATTEMPT TO IMPOSE TRAINING PROGRAM ON THEM FOR WHICH
THEY HAVE NEITHER INTEREST NOR UTILITY. FOR THIS
REASON WE HAVE DEFERRED PRESENTING GOB WITH OPTIONS
UNTIL VISIT OF RAKOWSKY AND RIZZO WHO, WE ASSUME, WILL
BE EMPOWERED TO PRESENT BOTH PROGRAMS INCLUDING COURSE
OUTLINES, TIMING AND NUMBERS OF PERSONNEL INVOLVED FROM
BOTH SIDES TO BULGARIAN CUSTOM.
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